

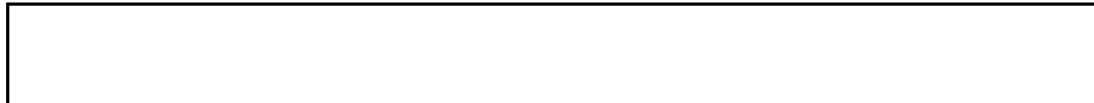
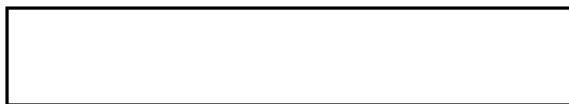
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PREFACE

This is the sixth of a series of reports published monthly in an effort to provide continuous information on 28 selected military complexes, marshalling yards, storage areas and transfer points in South China and North Vietnam. The targets have been selected as those most likely to provide indications of a military buildup.*

This study utilizes all photographic coverage taken and available during the preceding month. Only those targets covered by interpretable photography are analysed and these are arranged alphabetically within country. The quality of photography for each entry is given with the mission reference (i.e. [REDACTED])

* The list of targets is subject to periodic revision.

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CHINA

I. CHANG-NING-HSIN-HSU MILITARY COMPLEX 23 14N-114 03EReference Mission:

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A. Changes observed since CIA/PIR-67190, January 1966 are:

1. Area Ag - Re-evaluation reveals 6 probable messhalls that were previously present but unreported.
2. Area Ah - Re-evaluation reveals 8 probable messhalls that were previously present but unreported.
3. Area Ai - Re-evaluation reveals 3 messhalls and 9 support buildings vice 1 probable messhall and 11 support buildings.
4. Area Aj - Re-evaluation reveals 2 administration buildings, 11 barracks, 6 possible barracks, 6 storage buildings, and 23 support buildings vice prior readout.
5. Area Bd - Re-evaluation confirms 4 of the previously reported 6 probable vehicle sheds.
6. Area Bi - Re-evaluation reveals 2 vehicle sheds, 3 storage buildings, and 1 support building vice prior analysis.
7. Area Bk - Re-evaluation reveals 12 support buildings (6 of which are new), 5 probable barracks, and 5 storage buildings vice 16 support buildings.
8. Area Ce - These buildings are confirmed as having a storage function and two additional buildings are presently under construction.
9. Area Dc - Re-evaluation reveals this area to be a general storage area containing 4 storage buildings.

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B. Vehicles/equipment observed:

Area Ab - 18 AAA guns and 16 U/I pieces of equipment.

II. KUANG-CHOU AMMUNITION DEPOT SHIH-PAI [] 23 08N-113 21EReference Mission: []

No apparent changes in facilities and no vehicles or pieces of equipment are observed since CIA/PIR-77002 (June 1966).

III. KUANG-CHOU MILITARY STORAGE AREA [] 23 10N-113 14EReference Mission: []

No apparent changes in facilities and no vehicles or pieces of equipment are observed.

IV. KUEI-HSIEN MILITARY COMPLEX [] 23 07N-109 38EReference Mission: []

A. The buildings reported under construction in CIA/PIR-77069, September 1966 are complete.

B. Six cargo trucks and six possible field artillery pieces are observed.

V. PING-HSIANG AREA 22 07N-106 46EReference Missions: []

Military installations are observed at 13 points in the environs of Ping-hsiang. The location of each, a description of changes and/or facilities, and vehicles/pieces of equipment identified are listed below (See Figure 1).

Area 1. Ping-hsiang Ammunition Depot []

22 08N-106 45E

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Location : 1.8 nm NNE of town
Changes : None observed
Vehicles/pieces of equipment: None observed

Area 2. Ping-hsiang Storage Areas North

22 07N-106 45E

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Location : 1.1 nm NNE of town
Changes : None observed
Vehicles/pieces of equipment: 17 Cargo trucks
18 Possible fuel trucks
57 Suspect artillery
pieces

Area 3. Ping-hsiang Storage Area 22 07N-106 50E

Location : 4.5 nm east of Ping-hsiang
(rail served - Note
coordinate change)
Changes : None observed
Vehicles/pieces of equipment: 9 cargo trucks
14 cargo trucks

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Area 4. Wheeled-Vehicle Driver-Training Course 22 06N-106 51E

Location : 5.0 nm ESE of town
Changes : This newly identified
area consists of 2
"figure 8's" and 3
overlapping irregularly-
shaped, closed-circuit
courses
Vehicles/pieces of equipment: None observed

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Area 5. Ping-hsiang Railroad Classification Yards

22 05N-106 44E

Location : 1.8 nm SSW of town
Changes : None observed
Vehicles/pieces of equipment: at least 115
units of rolling stock

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8 Possible jeeps
12 Probable utility trucks
4 U/I vehicles
[] - At least 115
units of rolling stock.
2 Probable cargo trucks

Area 6. Ping-hsiang Railroad Transfer Site []

22 04N-106 44E

Location : On the west edge of the
Railroad Classification
Yards in Ping-hsiang.

Changes : None observed

Vehicles/pieces of equipment: [] - approximately
30 possible AAA guns.
8 Unidentified pieces of
equipment on rail siding.
11 Vehicles/pieces of
equipment.

[] - approximately
30 possible AAA guns.
9 Probable utility trucks.
7 Vehicles/pieces of
equipment.

Area 7. Ping-hsiang Petroleum Storage Area 22 04N-106 44E

Location : On the northwest edge
of the Transfer Site in
Ping-hsiang.

Facilities : 6 Rectangular "hut-like"
storage structures.

Vehicles/pieces of equipment: None observed

Area 8. Ping-hsiang Army Depot [] 22 05N-106 44E

Location : On the west edge of the
Railroad Classification
Yards and north of the
Railroad Transfer Site.

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Facilities : 3 Multistory admin-
istration buildings
1 H-shaped adminis-
tration building
30 Barracks
1 Probable messhall
4 Administration support
buildings
5 Storage buildings
17 Support buildings

Vehicles/pieces of equipment: [redacted] 49
possible cargo trucks

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Area 9. Ping-hsiang Army Barracks North

[redacted]
22 07N-106 44E

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Location : 1.1 nm NNW of town
Facilities : 3 Multistory adminis-
tration buildings
6 Barracks
5 Probable barracks
11 Storage buildings
1 Probable messhall
16 Support buildings

Vehicles/pieces of equipment: [redacted] - none
[redacted] - 1 Cargo truck
1 Possible cargo truck

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Area 10. Military Barracks 22 07N-106 45E

Location : On northern edge of
Ping-hsiang.
Facilities : 2 Administration buildings
11 Barracks
8 Storage buildings
25 Support buildings

Vehicles/pieces of equipment: [redacted] 20 cargo
trucks
10 Unidentified objects
(possible crates)
[redacted] 10 cargo trucks
1 Possible cargo truck
4 Probable utility trucks
5 Unidentified pieces of
equipment
10 Unidentified objects
(possible crates)

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Area 11. Ping-hsiang Arsenal

22 06N-106 44E

Location

: On west edge of Ping-hsiang.

Facilities

: 5 Administration buildings

1 Administration building/messhall

26 Barracks

2 Barracks/messhalls

1 Probable messhall

8 Storage buildings

2 Probable storage buildings

1 Vehicle/equipment shed

22 Support buildings

Numerous trenches and automatic weapons positions.

Vehicles/pieces of equipment:

80 possible cargo trucks

4 possible vehicles

16 cargo trucks

2 Possible cargo trucks

1 Possible BTR-152 APC

62 Unidentified objects

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Area 13. Wheeled-Vehicle Driver-Training Area 22 09N-106 46E

Location : 3.0 nm NNE of town
Facilities : 1 "Figure-8" driver
training course
6 Support buildings

Vehicles/pieces of equipment:

none observed
1 cargo truck

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NORTH VIETNAM

I. HANOI/GIA LAM AREA 21 02N-105 53EReference Missions:

No logistical concentration of AAA or SAM equipment is observed.

II. LANG-SON RAIL FACILITIES 21 51N-106 45EReference Missions:

A. Changes observed since CIA/PIR-77069, September 1966 are:

The railroad by-pass tracks on the eastern edge of Lang Son are not complete - two spans on the railroad bridge over the Song-cy-cung are yet to be emplaced. The tracks on each side of the bridge are in use. Near the southern bank of the river are three railroad spurs

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[redacted] These were present on [redacted]
[redacted] but have precluded interpretation. Seven units (total) of suspect rolling stock are on these spurs. Near the north bank of the river is a rail spur leading to a borrow pit where eleven units of rolling stock are observed. A new rail yard, with 3 or 4 tracks, is observed at 21 51N-106 47E in which seven units of rolling stock are observed (See Figure 2).

The railroad bridge to the central part of town is in final stages of construction.

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B. No changes in facilities were observed at the Lang Son Railroad Yards North [redacted] where 12 units of rolling stock were observed and at the Lang Son Railroad Yards Main [redacted] where seven units of rolling stock were observed.

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III. SON DONG/SON TAY AIRFIELD UNDER CONSTRUCTION 21 03N-105 31E

Reference Mission:

- A. Construction continues on the airfield.
- B. No logistical concentration of AAA or SAM equipment is observed.

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IV. YEN-BAI AREA 21 44N-104 52E

Reference Missions:

- A. Construction continues on the airfield. No reconstruction of facilities, and no concentration of AAA or SAM equipment is observed.
- B. 10 units of rolling stock were observed in the Yen-bai Railroad Yards

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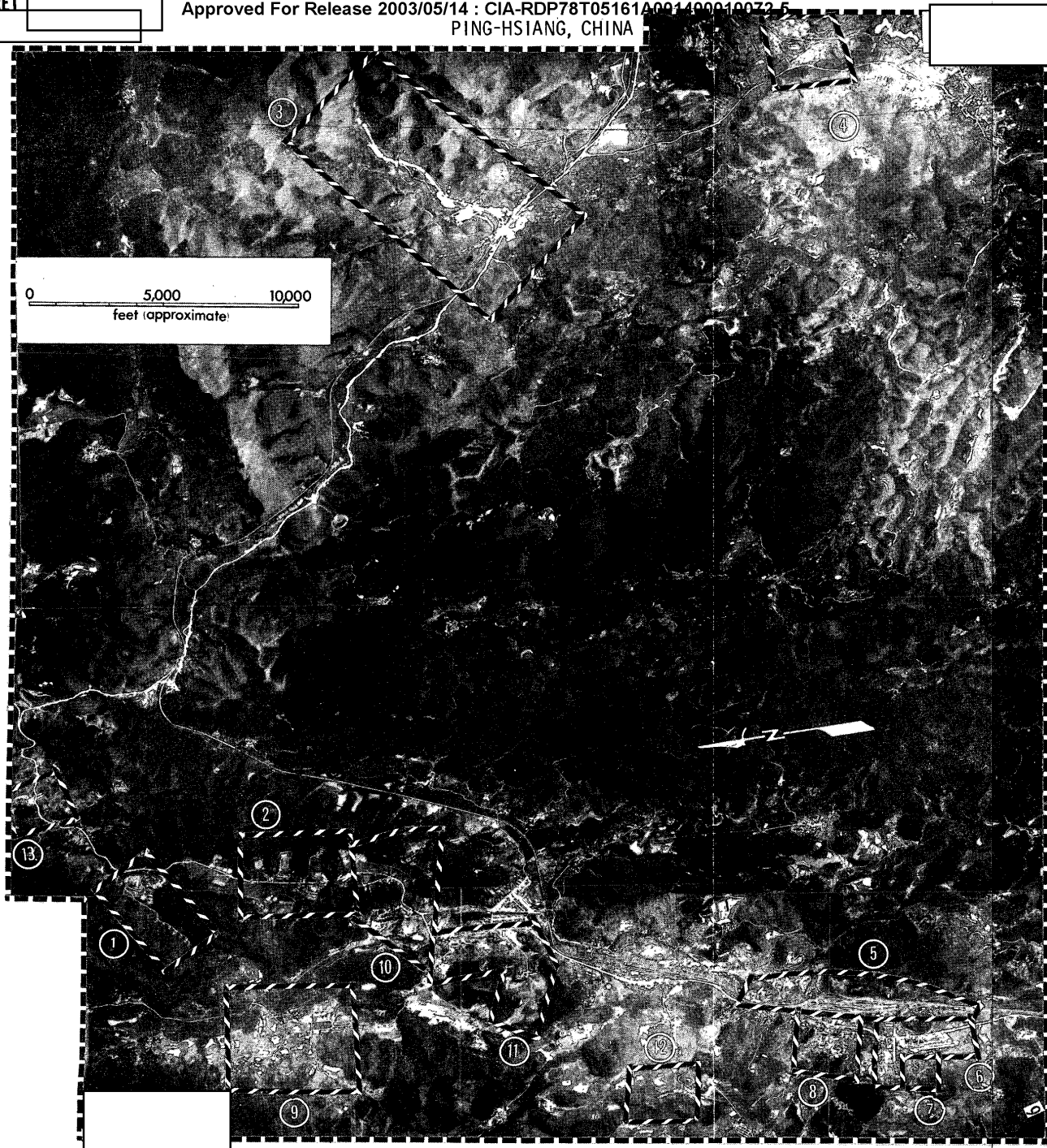
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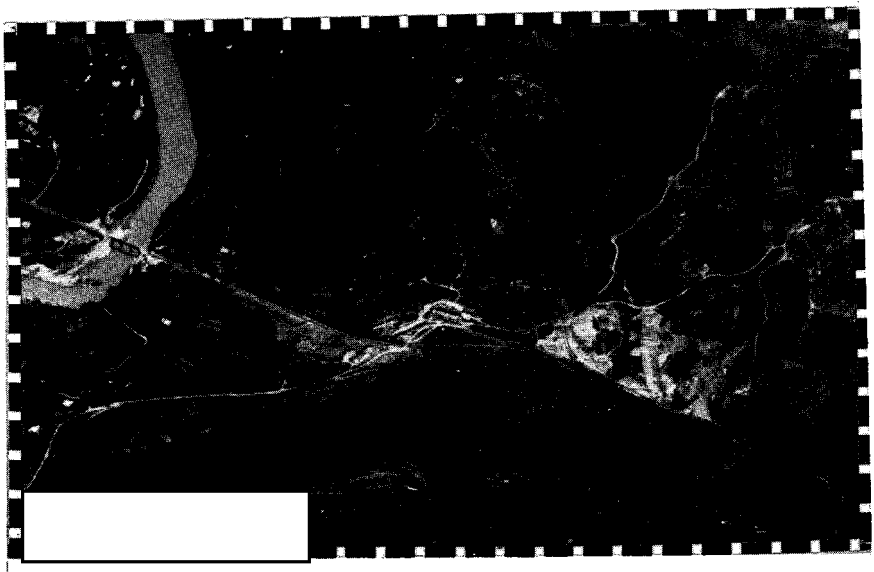
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Eastern Railroad By-Pass Tracks under construction

- Rail spurs []
- ▶ Bridge spans missing

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